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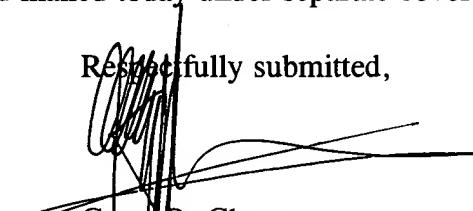
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Applicant: PAUL CHARLES
Title: **SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR EXPANSION
OF A COMPUTER**
Group Art Unit: 2763
Attorney Docket No. T2844.NAT.US

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Enclosed for filing in the above-identified patent application are seventeen (17) sheets of formal drawings. The Issue Fee was paid and mailed today under separate cover.

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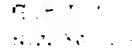

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Applicant: Paul Charles

Title: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR EXPANSION OF A COMPUTER

Group Art Unit: 2763

Examiner: Loppnow, Matthew

Supervising Examiner: Teska, Kevin

Attorney Docket No. T2844.NAT.US

Dear Ms. McAskill:

Applicant respectfully requests that the above indicated, allowed application be advanced for printing and that further processing of this application be "special" as provided for in MPEP § 1309(6). This request is being filed after the Notice of Allowance has been received and before the issue fee is paid.

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Because of the highly competitive nature of the industry in which the Applicant's invention exists, it is necessary to vigorously assert intellectual property rights. In order for the Applicant's invention to succeed, it is necessary for the Applicant to begin asserting the patent rights as soon as possible. In addition, it is necessary that the patent number be received as soon as possible so that such information may be incorporated into the promotional activities. In order to expedite the issuance of the above identified patent, the Applicant has made every effort to facilitate prosecution of the application, including participating in an interview with the Examiner.

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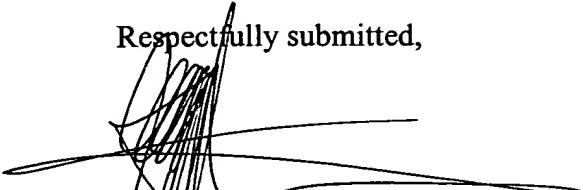
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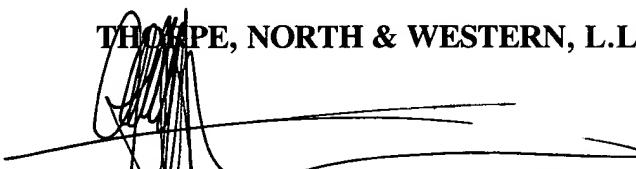
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